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Commissioner of Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of April 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification - none.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings - none.**

**Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.**